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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PFOR, SHUM, PA  
SUBJ: IAHRC VISIT TO PARAGUAY

REF: STATE 078303

1. I DISCUSSED CONTENTS REFTEL WITH FOREIGN MINISTER NOGUES  
APRIL 9. NOGUES SAID THAT GOP LETTER TO OAS REGARDING  
COOPERATION WITH IAHRC WAS DRAFTED IN SUCH MANNER TO LEAVE  
THE DOOR OPEN FOR POSSIBLE INVITATION. I URGED STRONGLY  
THAT INVITATION BE FORTHCOMING QUICKLY TO AVOID PROBLEMS  
WITH CONGRESS, WHICH UNDOUBTEDLY WOULD CALL FOR APPLICATION  
OF PROVISION OF SECTION 502B OF FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT.  
I GAVE NOGUES ANOTHER COPY OF THE ACT AND TOLD HIM ALSO  
THAT IN MY VIEW A VISIT WOULD BE HELPFUL BECAUSE IT WOULD  
GIVE GOP A CHANCE TO PRESENT ITS OWN CASE AND REPLY TO  
WHATEVER CHARGES EXIST. NOGUES, WHO WAS ABOUT TO LEAVE  
WITH THE PRESIDENT TO BRAZIL FOR APRIL 11 VISIT, PROMISED  
TO RAISE MATTER DURING TRIP.

2. I SAW NOGUES AGAIN ON APRIL 15 AFTER HIS RETURN.  
HE SAID THAT PROBLEMS OF THE VISIT TO BRAZIL AND PRE-  
PARATIONS FOR THE FORTHCOMING VIDELA VISIT (APRIL 20-  
22) HAD MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE PRESIDENT TO FOCUS  
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ON THE ISSUE, BUT THAT HE WOULD KEEP PUSHING. ON  
APRIL 17 I GAVE THE FOREIGN MINISTER A COPY OF CON-  
GRESSMAN KOCH'S PRESS STATEMENT WHICH SHOULD MAKE CLEAR  
TO GOP THE NEED TO ACT PROMPTLY.

3. I ALSO GAVE COPY OF KOCH STATEMENT, AS WELL AS  
COPY OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT, TO PRESIDENT'S

PRIVATE SECRETARY, PAPPALARDO, AND URGED HIM TO BRING THIS TO THE PRESIDENT'S IMMEDIATE ATTENTION. AFTER OUR MEETING APRIL 17, PAPPALARDO FULLY UNDERSTANDS THAT TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE. IN PAPPALARDO'S VIEW AN INVITATION WILL BE FORTHCOMING BUT THIS WAS OBVIOUSLY HIS PERSONAL OPINION AND NOT BASED ON ANY DISCUSSION WITH THE PRESIDENT.

4. I DOUBT THAT PRESIDENT WILL FOCUS ON THIS MATTER UNTIL VIDELA DEPARTS ON APRIL 22. I WILL CONTINUE TO URGE THAT GOP INVITE IAHRG AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.  
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